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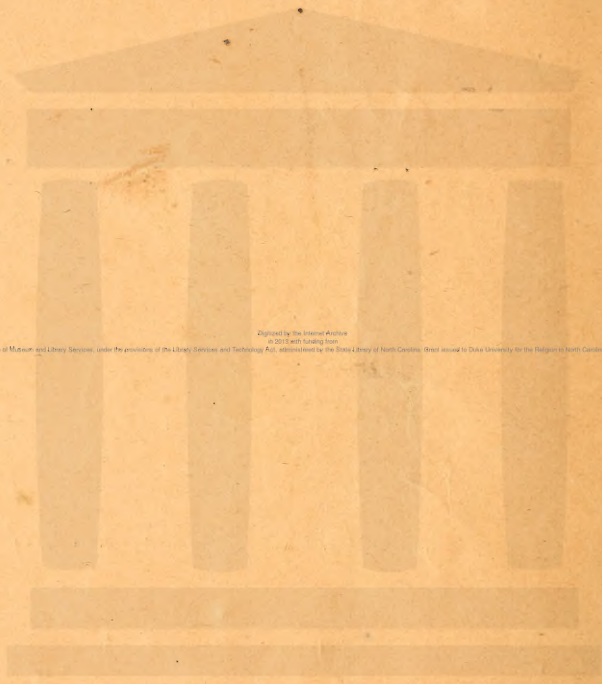

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1889.

Moderator—Elder J. O. Crosby ..... Salisbury, N. C.
Vice Moderator—Elder G. W. Holland ..... Winston, N. C.
Recording Secretary—Z. Haughton, Jr ..... Charlotte, N. C.
Corresponding Secretary—Elder C. C. Somerville, Statesville, N. C.
Sta. Secretary—Elder W. T. H. Woodward .... Durham, N. C.
Treasurer—Elder C. Alexander ..... Salisbury, N. C.

Executive and Missionary Board.

Elder J. O. Crosby, ex-officio Chairman ..... Salisbury, N. C.
Elder W. T. H. Woodward ..... Durham, N. C.
Elder S. Thomas ..... Company Shops, N. C.
Elder Z. Haughton ..... Charlotte, N. C.
Elder R. Wilson ..... Purley, N. C.
Elder G. W. Holland ..... Winston, N. C.
Elder J. E. Dellinger ..... Salisbury, N. C.
Elder C. Alexander ..... Salisbury, N. C.
J. H. Hargrave ..... Lexington, N. C.
H. D. Saunders ..... Charlotte, N. C.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Rowan Baptist Association.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. This Association shall be known by the name of the Rowan Baptist Association, of North Carolina.

SEC. 2. This Association shall be composed of regular Baptist churches, in good standing and full practice of the faith, discipline, ordinances and officiary of the doctrines, practice of regular Baptist denomination.

SEC. 3. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice Moderator, a Recording Secretary, a Statistical Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary and a Treasurer, whose duties shall be as are in common and who shall be elected annually and hold their offices until their successors are chosen.

SEC 4. The sole object of this Association shall be for fraternal intercourse and mutual counsel, to promote the union of the churches, and to look especially to the cause of Christ within the bounds of the Association

SEC. 5. The Association shall meet annually and be composed of not more than three delegates from each church, with a letter giving the condition of the church; said meeting shall convene on Wednesday, at 11 o'clock A. M., before the fourth Sabbath in August, with an introductory sermon, and continue until the business of the Association is completed.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. All visiting regular ordained ministers in our faith and order, who are in good standing in their churches, and corresponding delegates, can have a seat with us to give counsel, but not to vote. Voting shall only be done by the delegates.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. Any church, a member of this body, that is corrupt in practice or doctrine, after gospel steps have been legally taken

to reclaim her, and she persists in her course, shall no longer be a member of this body; and the reasons in full shall be published in the minutes. Furthermore, any church failing to be represented by letter or delegates two successive years shall be visited by suitable admonition; and if she neglect to attend the third year, shall be dropped from the Association.

SEC. 2. No difficulty existing between churches, or in a church, shall be heard by this Association until gospel steps have been fully taken outside of this body to settle the difficulty.

ARTICLE IV.

SECTION 1. The Scriptures—the word of God—shall be a sufficient rule of faith, doctrine, etc., of this Association, and the traditions of men where they have neither precept nor example in the Scriptures to justify them, shall be rejected.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. The following committees shall be appointed after the election of officers: 1st. Committee on Devotional Exercises, except the Sabbath; 2d. Committee on Admission of Churches and Correspondence; 3d. Committee on Publication of Minutes; 4th. Committee on Time and Place of the next Annual Session; 5th, Committee on Miscellaneous Business.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. The Rules of Order in the Baptist Church Directory shall govern the deliberations of this body.

ARTICLE VII.

SECTION 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote, provided that twelve months' notice of such be given.

Rules of Order.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be opened with singing and prayer by the Moderator, or others appointed by him.

ART. II. The minutes of the previous meeting shall then be read, corrected and adopted.

ART. III. No brother shall be interrupted when speaking, unless his remarks are foreign to the question under discussion; any brother may then rise to a point of order, or the Moderator may call him to the proposition under debate.

ART. IV. When a member is called to order by the Moderator he shall take his seat until it is determined by the Moderator whether he is in order or not; said member may appeal from the decision of the Moderator; the decision of the Association shall be final.

ART. V. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject, or any longer than five minutes, unless he obtains the permission of the Association.

ART. VI. No member shall be allowed to go to sleep, to spit on the floor, or whisper in the session room.

ART. VII. No member shall be allowed to leave the house without permission of the Moderator.

List of Churches and their Messengers.

CHURCHES.	MESSENGERS.
Dixonville	Elder J. O. Crosby, J. A. Kirk, Licentiate D. H. Chambers.
Allison Grove	Deacon J. Ellis
St. Matthew	Deacon E. Heilig
Midway	Elder J. H. Hargrave
Durham, 1st Church	Deacons R. F. Hines and A. B. Haines
Durham, 2d Church	Elder F. H. Wilkins
White Rock	Elder R Wilson
Poplar Grove	Deacon H. Hairston
Thomasville	Elder A. Wilborn and Deacon J. Holt
Pleasant Grove	Elder T. H. Hairston and D. H. Poteet
Salem Grove	
Gibsonville	Deacon J. Allen
Simmon's Grove	
Kernersville	Elder G. W. Johnson and Deacon H. Cook
Pole Bridge	Elder G. F. Gibson, Deacons J. Shultz and J. Hairston.
Cedar Grove	Elder T. H. Hairston and Deacon W. H. Hairston
Wentworth	Elder E F. Parham. Deacon P. Bevil and R. McCollum.
Graham	Elder A. L. Sumner, Deacon R. Ruffin and A. Browden.
Goodwill	
Chestnut Grove	
Galilee	
Jerusalem	Deacon J. M. Holmes
Ebenezer, Charlotte	Elder Z. Haughton and Z. Haughton, Jr.
Winston	Elder G. W. Holland and P. S Lewis
Reidsville	Deacon J. S Settle, C. Smith and J. E. Dellinger
Henderson Grove	Elders C. Alexander and A. L. Sumner
High Point	Elder A. Wilborn and A. L. Lindsay

CHURCHES.	MESSENGERS.
Providence	Elder C. L. Davis, Dea'ns L. W. Wood & J. J. Alston
Mabensville	Deacon S. McCadden
Lexington—First Church	Elder J. F. Gibson, Deacons R. L. and G. W. Hargrave.
Union Hill	J. H. Hargrave
Orange Cross Roads	
Pleasant Hill	
Union Cross	
Randolph Chapel	
Madison	Elder E. F. Parham, Deacon W. T. Wall and J. Hayes
Mt. Tabor	Deacon J. J. Anderson
Ebenezer, Purley	Elder R. Wilson
Burlington	Elder S. Thomas and Deacon C. L. Bonner
Locust Grove	Deacon T. Thacker, L. Matier and G. Thacker
Belle View	Elder J. Sumner
St. John	Elder C. C. Somerville
Liberty Grove	Licentiate S. S. Wilborn
Morning Star	
Mt. Pisgah	Elder W. D. Hayden and D. H. Poteet
Troublesome Hill	Deacon W. Wadlington and R. McCollum
Jones School House	
Jamestown	
Yadkin Grove	Elder A. Wilborn
Mt. Zion	Elder S. L. Kelly
Emmans	Elder C. C. Somerville
Mocksville	
Union Hill	Elder J. H. Hargrave
Lincolnton	Elder H. D. Saunders and Deacon H. Brisentine
New Bethel	Deacon H. H Haines
Parker's Grove	Elder B Haughton
Macedonia	Deacon S. Ford
Mt. Zion	Deacon T. A. Torrence
St. John's Chapel	Elder J. P. Alexander
St. Luke	Elder S. S. Hawkins
White Oak Springs	Elder A. Mumford
Piney Grove	Elder J. W. Kerns
Poplar Springs	Licentiates S. S. Wilborn and A. Hanna
Harshaw Grove	Licentiate A Hanna
New Zion	Elder S. S. Hawkins and M. Cruse
Chestnut Grove	Elder C. C. Somerville
Buncombe	Elder T. H. Hairston and Deacon W. Crump
Yadkin Star	Elder T. H. Hairston and Deacon A. Hoover
Friendship	Elder J. Ross
Tabernacle	Elder G. W. Johnson and H. Brooks

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

Elders W. T. H. Woodward, F. R. Howell and L. R. Jeffries.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, August 22, 1888, (11 o'clock).

The Rowan Baptist Association assembled this day and hour in the city of Greensboro, N. C., to hold its Twenty-Second Annual Session, upon the invitation given last year by the Providence Baptist Church.

2. The Moderator, Elder J. O. Crosby, called the house to order, and announced that the introductory sermon would be preached by Elders J. W. Kerns and W. W. Hawkins.

3. Sang the 394th hymn, "And can I yet delay." Bible Lesson, 1st Psalm. Prayer by Elder Hawkins. Sang 962d hymn, "And will the Judge descend."

4. Elder Kerns delivered an excellent and instructive sermon from the following text: "And, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." St. Matthew, 28:20. Elder Hawkins followed in a short reviving exhortation.

5. The address of welcome was delivered in behalf of the Providence church by the Pastor, Elder L. R. Jeffries. Response for the Association by Elder A. L. Sumner.

6. Proceeded to call the roll of churches and enroll the names of the Delegates. (See List.)

7. Prof. A. B. Vincent, of Shaw University, was welcomed by the body, and made a few remarks in reference to the work of the Association.

8. On motion of Licentiate D. H. Chambers, a committee on the Hours of Meeting and Adjournment was appointed, viz: Elders L. R Jeffries, G. W. Johnson and Deacon L. W. Wood.

9. On motion of Licentiate Chambers, a committee of eleven on nominating officers for the ensuing year was appointed in this order: Elders R. Wilson, A. A. Wilborn, S. S. Hawkins, Z. Haughton, P. S. Lewis, T. H. Hairston, S. Thomas, Deacons J. J. Alston, R. F. Jones, H. Brisentine, Licentiate A. A. Wilborn and Brother J. E. Dellinger.

Adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 O'CLOCK P. M.

Met according to appointment, the Moderator presiding. Devotional exercises conducted by Elders C. C. Somerville and G. W. Johnson. Sang the 623d hymn, "Oh, for a heart to praise my God." Read the 90th Psalm. Prayer.

10. The minutes of the last session read and adopted.

11. Rev. R. C. Campbell, of the A. M. E. Church, was introduced to the Association and invited to a seat.

12. Report was received from the committee on the Hours of Meeting and Adjournment. Adopted.

13. On motion of Elder W. T. H. Woodward, the time was prolonged twenty minutes.

14. The committee on Permanent Organization made a report, which was received, on motion of Elder E. F. Parham.

15. The same officers were re-elected, with the exception of Corresponding Secretary, Elder C. L. Davis, who resigned.

16. Elder C. C. Somerville was elected to fill the vacancy caused by said resignation.

17. On motion of Elder Somerville, a committee of three was appointed on Devotional Exercises, viz: Elders R. Wilson, Z. Haughton and J. H. Hargrave.

18 On motion of Elder Woodward, a committee of five on the Admission of New Churches and Correspondence was appointed as follows: Elders C. C. Somerville, G. W. Holland, S. S. Hawkins, F. H. Wilkins and Brother J. A. Kirk.

19. The committee on Devotional Exercises returned and submitted the following report: To preach to-night, Elders S. Thomas and J. F. Gibson. (R. Wilson, Z. Haughton, J. H. Hargrave, committee). The report was adopted.

20. Prayer by Elder Holland. Doxology.

EVENING SESSION.

8 o'clock p. m.

Assembled at this hour. Sang 182d hymn, "Plunged in a gulf of dark despair." Bible Lesson, St. John, 11th chapter. Prayer by Elder Z. Haughton. Sang 369th hymn, "Amazing sight! the Saviour stands." Elder S. Thomas then arose and announced as his text Gen. 22:2: "And He said, take now thy son, thine only son, Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah, and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains, which I will tell thee of;" from which he preached an interesting and enthusiastic sermon. Elder J. F. Gibson followed in a few impressive remarks. Prayer was offered by Elder Woodward. On motion the collection, to the amount of $3 28, was given to the Providence Baptist Church. Benediction.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, August 23, (9 o'clock a. m.).

Met at this hour, the Moderator in the chair, who appointed Elders F. H. Wilkins and F. R. Howell to conduct devotional ex-

Resolved, That the Association request all churches to discourage young men in entering the Ministry until they have made the necessary preparation.

Respectfully submitted.

A. L. SUMNER,
H. COOK,
J. J. ALSTON,
A. W. PEGUES,
S. FORD,
} Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS.

We, your committee, beg leave to report, after making a thorough and impartial examination of the whole matter, recommend that the Lexington Church compromise the debt with Elder G. W. Johnson. Respectfully submitted.

G. W. HOLLAND,
Z. HAUGHTON,
A. WELBORN,
} Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Whereas, we observe the good of the Home Mission Society to our people, and since many other Associations have recognized the work done, we recommend the work to this Association, for increasing the Sunday School and Church work, and we also recommend such appropriation as the committee may deem just and proper.

J. F. GIBSON,
C. C. SOMRVILLE,
H. D. SAUNDERS,
A. L. KELLY,
A. B. HAINES,
S. S. HAWKINS,
A. B. VINCENT,
} Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY.

Since it seems good to our Heavenly Father to remove from the stage of action and call to a better world Brother Jas. Mills, deacon of Allison Grove Church, of Concord, and Brother George Browell, deacon of Midway Church; therefore be it

Resolved, By the Rowan Baptist Association, that we hereby express our recognition of their worth as deacons, and that we feel that in their death we sustain a heavy loss.

S. N. VASS,
G. W. HARGRAVE,
J. H. HARGRAVE,
} Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NEW CHURCHES.

We, your committee, recommend the reception of the following churches: Buncombe, Yadkin Star, Friendship, Tabernacle, Second Baptist, Burlington, Yadkin Grove.

C. C. SOMERVILLE,
S. S. HAWKINS,
G. W. HOLLAND,
J. A. KIRK,
F. H. WILKINS,
} Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.

We, your committee, beg leave to report that we have decided that the next session be held with the White Rock Baptist Church, Durham, N. C., on Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1889.

J. E. DELLINGER,
G. W. HOLLAND,
J. D. HARGRAVE,
R. L. HARGRAVE,
G. W. HOLMES.
J. P. ALEXANDER,
R. F. JONES,
E. HEILIG,
J. ALLEN,
L. W. WOOD,
B. HAUGHTON,
} Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Whereas, the Board of Education of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina has recognized the necessity of Ministerial Education, and has organized a system of raising funds to support at least two worthy students at Shaw University. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Association appropriate annually at least $5 00, to be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Educational Board of the Convention.

Be it further recommended that this Association establish a regular Education Board, consisting of seven, to be appointed each session.

Resolved, That each church and Sunday School be requested to give annual collections for Ministerial Education.

APPENDIX.

SPECIAL RESOLUTION.

The following resolution was offered by Elder C. Scott, and on motion was received:

Resolved, 1st, That we, the members of the Association, advise our various churches to abolish the method of calling pastors annually, and have it understood that when a minister is once called to take charge of a church, he shall remain pastor as long as he and the church can agree; and the party becoming dissatisfied, three months notice shall be given the other party, and at the expiration of said time, an election for another pastor shall be held.

Resolved, 2nd, That we disapprove of the method of conducting the election for pastors in many of our churches, that of running two or more ministers at the same time, and suggest that only one person at the time be run, and in case of a negative decision, another may be run, and so on, until some one is elected, and we further suggest in the case of a dismissal of the pastor officiating, that he be paid or arrangements be made for his payment, for the amount due him, before his successor is chosen.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ASSOCIATION.

AUGUST 24th, 1883.

On the proposal of Elder C. Scott, each church of this body shall send not less than 5 cents per month as a contribution to the Association.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES OF THE ROWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOURS OF MEETING, &c.

We beg leave to report that the hours of meeting and adjournment of this Association be as follows: Meet at 9 o'clock a. m., 2:30 o'clock p. m. and 8 o'clock p. m. Adjourn at 12 o'clock m., 5:30 o'clock p. m., and at pleasure.

Respectfully submitted.

L. R. JEFFRIES,
G. W. JOHNSON,
L. W. WOOD,
} Committee.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 o'clock P. M.

Assembled, the Vice-Moderator presiding Devotional exercises conducted by Elders G W Johnson and W H Crawley. Sang the 153rd hymn, "God moves in a mysterious way." Read the 107th Psalm. Prayer.

78. The minutes of last session read and adopted.

79. A resolution offered by Elder Howell was received and adopted, on motion of Elder Wilkins.

80. Elder Woodward made a report respecting the Gold Dust, the organ of the Association. Adopted.

81. On motion of Elder Crosby, that the proposition to change the name of Star-Gold Dust, to its original name, Gold Dust, was referred to the Board of Managers.

82. On motion of Elder Davis, the resolution offered by Elder S Thomas, pertaining to a fund for superannuated ministers, was adopted. (See resolutions).

83. The Second Baptist Church, Burlington, N C, was received

84. On motion, a committee of three was appointed on printing the minutes, viz: Z Haughton, Jr, Brother J E Dellinger and Elder Z Haughton.

85. The candidates for ordination were returned to their churches to be ordained

86. It was voted that the Statistical Secretary make requisition for the amount due the body upon those churches indebted to it, and return the same to the Treasurer.

87. On motion of Licentiate D H Chambers, we give the churches the amounts laid down in the report on appropriation.

88. On motion of Elder Parham, the Association gave a vote of thanks to the citizens of Greensboro, and the members of this church especially, for their hospitality

89. Elder Z Haughton was elected a corresponding delegate to the Bannister Association of Virginia.

90. The committee on Appropriations made their report, which was adopted.

91. Prayer by Elder J P Alexander. Sang hymn 640, "Blest be the tie that binds." Adjourned

J. O. CROSBY, Moderator.

Z. HAUGHTON, JR., Recording Secretary.

Note.—It was impossible to issue the Minutes any earlier, owing to failure of some of the churches to cancel their obligations so that the Statistical Secretary could get the Statistical Table ready for the printers.

N. B.—Elder C C Somerville gave notice that he would make a motion, at the next sitting of this Association, (according to the Constitution, Article VII,) to abolish the office of Statistical Secretary.

"Come we that love the Lord." Read the 15th chapter of Romans. Prayer by Elder J H Hargrave.

62. Adopted the minutes of the last session.

63. Elder F R Howell, State Missionary, made his report of his work in the bounds of the Association. Adopted.

64. The committee on Finance made a partial report, which was adopted.

65. On motion of Elder J O Crosby, the Association was not to represent in the State Convention as heretofore, but a fund was to be reserved for missionary purposes.

66. On motion of Elder J Sumner, the Lexington Church and Elder G W Johnson were advised to compromise the debt due the latter by the payment to him of $25.00.

67. A report by the committee on Temperance was received and adopted. (See reports).

68. On motion of Elder L R Jeffries, a resolution offered by Elder Howell was adopted.

69. On motion of Elder C L Davis, the report of the committee on New Churches was laid on the table until the morning session.

70. Rev P S Lewis was recommended to the Association as a worthy brother of the Winston Baptist Church, and they were asked to open the doors of their churches to him and aid him in his lecturing tour.

71. On motion of Elder Davis, a committee of five was appointed to examine candidates for ordination, viz: Z Haughton, A W Pegues, F H Wilkins, A A Powell, A Wilborn and S M Vass.

72. Prayer by Elder Haughton. Adjourned.

FOURTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, August 25, (9 o'clock).

Met pursuant to adjournment, the Moderator in the chair. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev J P Alexander and E F Parham. Sang hymn 414th. "O Christ, the solid rock, I stand." Scripture Lesson, 24th Psalm Prayer.

73 The minutes of the last session read and approved.

74. Continued the executive session, as appointed.

75. On motion of Elder Howell, that the charge brought against Elder Scott be referred to the church of which he was a member, the Redbird Church

76. On motion of Elder Woodward, that the church of which he was a member report the result of such a trial to the Executive Board, and that the Executive Board notify the churches of the body, and that Elder Scott do not preach in the bounds of this Association until after said trial, and if he is exonerated.

77. Adjourned by Doxology.

49. The committee on Obituary submitted their report, which was adopted.

50. It was voted to adopt, also, the report of the committee on Printing Minutes.

51. Rev W H Hairston, of the M E Church, Reidsville, N C, was introduced to the brethren.

52. Elder C C Somerville offered a resolution which was received and adopted. (See resolutions).

53. Prof Pegues, of Shaw University, Raleigh, N C, was formally presented to the audience, and made quite an interesting and instructive lecture on Medicine and Law, thereby showing the capability of our race, and the need of young men in these professions.

54. On motion of Elder Woodward, the report of the committee on the Lexington Church was laid over until the next session, and that the e ecutive session should not begin until after the disposal of the report.

55. Collected the sum of $2 09. Adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, August 24, (9 o'clock a. m.).

Met as usual, the Moderator presiding. Religious exercises conducted by Elder Woodward. Sang the 800th hymn, "Go preach my gospel, says the Lord." Scripture Reading, 19th Psalm. Invocation by Elder E F Parham.

56. Proceedings of the last session read and approved.

57 The Executive Committee and Missionary Board was appointed as follows: Elders J O Crosby, chairman ex officio, W T H Woodward, S Thomas, Z Haughton, R Wilson, G W Holland, J E Dellinger, H D Saunders, C Alexander and J H Hargrave.

58. The matter relating to the Lexington Church was brought before the body for consideration, and the report of the committee (referred to in section 54) was adopted. (See report).

59. Rev W H Crawley of the Bannister Association of Virginia, was introduced to the brethren and made a few pertinent remarks.

60. The Moderator announced that the hour for the executive session had arrived, and the doors were closed

61. After this session, adjourned with Doxology.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 O'CLOCK P. M.

Assembled, the Moderator in the chair. Licentiate S S Wilborn maintained the devotional exercises. Sang hymn 503,

On Obituary—S N Vass, G W Hargrave and J D Hargrave.

33. The matter relating to the "Gold Dust" was referred to the Board of Managers.

34. The committee on New Churches recommended two more new churches for admittance in the Association.

35. Preceding the appointment of the committee on Printing Minutes, Prof S N Vass of Shaw University, and Rev F F Giles, of the M E Church, were introduced to the delegates.

36 On motion of Elder A L Sumner, the committee to investigate the condition of the church at Lexington, N C, was allowed to report. The report was received, and the whole matter laid on the table.

37. On motion of Elder Sumner, Prof S N Vass was granted the privilege to give an illustrated lecture on the following evening.

38. On motion of Brother J E Dellinger, Prof Pegues was given the privilege of addressing the audience on Medicine and Law to night, at 9:45 o'clock.

39. Twenty minutes recess was given, and the several committees were instructed to meet and prepare to report.

40. On the expiration of the recess, the committee on Time and Place of the next session made a report, which was received and adopted.

41. The committee on Ministerial Education made their report. Adopted.

42. On motion of Elder F H Wilkins, the time was extended a few minutes.

43. Elder Woodward gave notice that he would at some future time make a motion to reconsider the report of the committee on Education.

44. On motion of Elder A L Sumner, a session was appointed for the evening.

45. The committee on Home Missions made a report. (See reports).

46. During the pendency of its adoption, the Association adjourned with prayer by Elder Haughton.

EVENING SESSION.

8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Moderator called the house to order at this hour, and appointed Elder C J W Fisher to conduct the devotional exercises. The opening hymn was the 662d, "Jesus, thou source of calm repose." Read the 15th chapter of St. John. Prayer was offered by Elder C Alexander.

47. The proceedings of the afternoon session were read and adopted.

48. The report of the committee on Home Missions was received and adopted.

ercises. Sang 290th hymn, "Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove." Bible Lesson, 107th Psalm. Invocation.

21. The minutes of the previous sessions read and approved.

22. On motion of Elder F. H. Wilkins, the roll of delegates was called.

23. On motion of Brother J. A. Kirk, the body was to go into an executive session, after the report of the committee on New Churches.

24. Elder G. Ellis, of the Yadkin Grove Association, was introduced to the brethren and welcomed to a seat.

25. The committee on New Churches made their report, which was adopted.

26. The Association was notified that the hour for the executive session had arrived, so the doors were closed.

27. On motion of Elder A. L. Sumner, the session was restricted to the delegates.

28. On motion of Brother J. E. Dellinger, the time of the session was extended thirty minutes.

29. On motion of Elder C. L. Davis, the executive session was to be continued the next morning.

30. Adjourned with prayer by Elder W. T. H. Woodward.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 o'clock P. M.

Assembled, the Moderator in the chair. Devotional exercises conducted by Elder Woodward, who sang the 18th hymn, "Our Father who art in Heaven." Scripture Reading, 8th Psalm. Prayer by Elder J D Hargrave.

31. The minutes of the morning session read and approved.

32. The Moderator proceeded to appoint the committees as transcribed below:

Committee on Finance—W T H Woodward, C C Somerville, J Ellis, C L Smith and D H Chambers.

Auditing Committee—C L Davis. F R Howell and J A Kirk.

On Investigation—Z Haughton. H H Haines, J W Kerns, M Cruse. S McAden, S S Wilborn and A L Lindsay.

On Time and Place—J E Dellinger, G W Holland, J D Hargrave, R L Hargrave. G W Holmes, J P Alexander, R F Jones, E Heilig, J Allen, L W Wood and B Haughton.

On Printing Minutes—G W Johnson, T H Hairston, A Browder, R McCollum and J Hayes.

On Home Missions—J F Gibson, C C Somerville, H D Sanders. S L Kelly, A B Haines, S S Hawkins and A B Vincent.

On Temperance—E F Parham, W H Hairston, J J Anderson, G Thacker, L Matier, S Thomas and W D Hayden.

On Miscellaneous Business—J S Settle, T Thacker, P Bevil, W Wadlington, H Brisentine, D H Poteet and J Holt.

On Ministerial Education A L Sumner, H Cook, J J Alston, A W Pegues and S Ford.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NUMBER OF MINUTES.

We recommend that there be 1,500 minutes printed for distribution.

G. W. JOHNSON,
T. H. HAIRSTON,
A. BROWDER,
R. McCOLLUM,
J. HAYES,
} Committee.

1888.

Work of the State Missionary, Elder F. R. Howell, in the Bounds of the Rowan Association.

At Concord—Preached Sermons, 6; collected for the work, $18 70.

At White Rock Baptist Church, Durham—I labored two weeks. Converts, 74; collections, $17 20. White Rock Sunday School collections, $1 50.

Second Baptist Church, Durham—Preached Sermons, 1; collected $1 50.

Providence Baptist Church, Greensboro—Preached Sermons, 1; collected 80 cents; Sunday School, 30 cents.

Second Baptist Church, Charlotte—Sermons, 2; Sunday School collections, 40 cents.

Reidsville Baptist Church—Preached Sermons, 4; collections, $5 87; Sunday School collections, 63 cents; Sisters' Evergreen Home Mission Society, $1 50.

Thomasville Church—Preached Sermons, 1; collected $2 70.

High Point Church—Sermons, 1.

Wintworth Church—Sermons, 1.

Total sermons, 25. Total collections, $51 10.

Respectfully submitted. F. R. HOWELL,
State Missionary for North Carolina.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE TREASURY.

We beg leave to report that we find the papers and accounts all correct. Respectfully submitted.

F. R. HOWELL,
C. L. DAVIS,
J. A. KIRK,
} Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

The committee on Appropriations made the following report. We recommend the following donations:

Recording Secretary	$ 14 00
Printing Minutes	55 00
Statistical Printing, &c	10 00
Board Bill for Delegates	6 00
Sexton	3 00
Back Rears on Gold Dust	20 00
Shaw University	10 00
Corresponding Secretary	3 00
Normal School, Greensboro, N. C.	5 00
Kernersville Church	2 50
White Rock Church	2 50
New Zion Church	2 50
St. Luke Church	2 50
Belle View Church	2 50
Poplar Grove Church	2 50
St Matthew Church	2 50
Mabensville Church	2 50
St. John Chapel	2 50
American Baptist Home Mission Society	5 00
Total	$133 50

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee, after carefully considering the subject of Temperance, believe that there has been already sufficient recommendation from this Association, if enforced by the churches, to effect the object for which the recommendation has been made; and, further, whereas we are urged in the Scriptures to "have no fellowship with the unfruitful workers of darkness." Therefore be it

Resolved, That it is unscriptural to recognize any member as in good standing with his church who keeps a bar room, or in any way patronizes such places of evil, and that we covenant together as the advocates of truth, morality and the religion of Jesus Christ to do all in our power in purifying our churches from the crime and reproach of drunkenness.

W. D. Hayden,
L. Matier,
J. J Anderson,
W. H. Hairston,
S. Thomas,
G. Thacker,
E. F. Parham,
} Committee.

REPORT OF THE MANAGERS OF THE STAR-GOLD DUST.

We, the managers of your paper, recommend that the name be changed from the Star-Gold Dust to the Gold Dust, and that Brother J. E. Dellinger and Z. Haughton, Jr., be added to the Board of Managers, and the editorial staff consist of Elder W. T. H. Woodward, F. R. Howell and C. C Somerville. And further recommend that each church will donate $1.00, and each Sunday School 50 cents, toward the paper. Each pastor is asked to act as agent for the said paper, and forward the same to the editor-in-chief, who will receipt for the same.

W. T. H. Woodward,
G. W. Holland,
Z. Haughton,
R. Wilson,
J E. Dellinger,
F. R. Howell,
E. F. Parham,
} Committee.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions was offered by Elder C. C. Somerville and adopted:

Whereas, To secure the protection of our ministers and their work for the "laborer is worthy of his hire," and to protect our churches from the imposition of unworthy men, who claim to be ministers; be it

Resolved, That no church belonging to this Association, or making application to come into it, shall be recognized when it is legally indebted to its pastor or ex pastor, and refuses to settle with him, or make arrangements to do so

That no minister coming from any other State or Association shall be called to any of our churches, unless he comes well recommended, bearing credentials of his moral character and high ministerial standing of the State or Association from which he comes.

The following was offered by Elder F. R. Howell and adopted:

Whereas, There are special inducements held out to us by Shaw University. And

Whereas, The Law and Medical Department of the said institution is so ably and encouragingly presented to us by Prof. A. W. Pegues Therefore

Resolved, That this Association recommend to the young men in its bounds to enter this school. And resolved, further, that we will do all that is in our power to sustain the said Department of Law and Medicine.

The following was offered by Elder S. Thomas, and adopted:

WHEREAS, We shall have from time to time in our midst old and infirm ministers, and be it

Resolved, That we, a Christian body, shall have a treasury where they can get some help in their hours of need.

The following resolution was offered by Elder C. C. Somerville and adopted by the body:

WHEREAS, There have been ministers belonging to the Rowan Baptist Association who have been circulating erroneous charges against the character of our ministers; be it

Resolved, That whenever such a charge is preferred and the slanderer found guilty, he shall by the voice of the Association be expelled.

STATISTICAL RECORD FOR THE YEA

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Sabbath of Worship.	Number Baptised.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Excommunicated.	Deaths.	No. Male Members.	No. Female Members	Total Membership.	Value of Church Property.	Donations to the
Graham	A. L. Sumner, Salisbury	Chas. Ruffin, Graham	2	1	....	.	7	....	25	16	41	$ 500	$.
Madison	E. F. Parham, Wentworth	Morris Carter, Madison	2&4	25	...	....	1	2	15	25	40	.....	
Lincolnton	H. D. Saunders, Lincolnton	Henry Besitine, Lincolnton	E. S.	9	....	4	....	1	11	32	43	.....	
Belle View	J. Sumner, Burlington	C. Ruffin, Haw River	2	1	...	1	..	....	11	20	31	500	
Simmons' Grove	.....	Geo. Bell, Mechanic	....	1	....	...	....	1	8	9	17	.....	
St. Luke	S. S. Hawkins, Salisbury	Miss Roxy Berry, Salisbury	2&3	2	2	2	....	3	4	19	23	300	
Providence, Kernersville	G. W. Johnson, Kernersville	A. B. Dunn, Kernersville	1	....	1	....	1	....	10	10	20	450	
Ebenezer, Charlotte	Z. Haughton, Charlotte	L. D. Wilson, Charlotte	E S	10	5	5	10	3	57	143	200	1500	
Mt. Tabor	.....	Miss L. Brand, N. Danville, Va	1&3	...	3	.....	3	3	15	25	37	400	
Winston	G. W. Holland	T. H. Welch, Winston	E. S.	13	10	8	14	1	64	141	205	1500	3.0
White Oak Springs	M. Momford, Kernersville	.....	1	1	...	....	....	2	1	9	10	100	
Tabernacle	G. W. Johnson	Miss C. Brooks, Kernersville	1	1		.....	....	....	5	5	10	160	
Macedonia	S. L. Kelly, Salisbury	F. F. Clark, Salisbury	1	...	1	...	....	1	9	9	18	100	
St. Matthew	S. L. Kelly, Salisbury	J. Harris, Rockville	3	....	....	2	.....	1	10	24	34	330	
New Zion	S. S. Hawkins, Salisbury	Lea Chambers, Salisbury	1	2	....	....	....	1	10	20	32	200	
Emmaus	C. C. Somersville, Statesville	J. F. Parkes, Statesville	1.3.4	9	2	4	3	1	20	46	66	800	
Alison Grove	J. W Scott, Concord	Henry Surat, Concord	E. S	8	2	4	3	7	32	69	101	800	
Union Hill	Jas. H. Hargraves, Lexington	B. Carver, Yadkin College		2	....	....	....	....	2	15	10	25	100
St. John	C. C. Somersville, Statesville	Mary Lynn, Gold Hill		2	6	...	1	1	2	6	15	21	100
Midway	Jas. H. Hargraves, Lexington	James Mack		3	....	....	....	..	2	1	7	8	100
Cedar Grove	T. H. Hairston, Fork Church	W. T. Houston, Fork Church		2	18		2	2	2	22	36	58	300
Mt. Nebo.	—— Parker, Harmony	W. C. Campbell, Harmony		1	....	....	....	....	....	7	8	15	.....
Poplar Springs	A. Hanner, Hover Hill	J. Freeman, Hoover		1		....	....	....	1	3	4	7	130
Ghestnut Grove	Jno Sherrill, Oak Forks	Mrs. Annie Clark, Oak Forest		2	....	1	....	.....	2	12	12	24	250
Gibsonville	J. Sumner, Burlington	Peter Simmons, Gibsonville		2&4	5	....	....	....	4	20	30	50	500
Piney Grove	J. W. Kernes, Bilesville	Jas. Henley, Millertown		1	4	.....	....	....	3	2	11	13	.....
High Point	A. Welborn, Trinity College	Benj. Pace, High Point		2&4	7	.....	....	5	1	15	45	60	1800
Jerusalem	J. H Hargraves, Lexington	Charles Mehaley, Salisbury		1	....	1	....	11	....	26	24	50	500
Liberty Grove	S S. Welborn, Trinity	F. P. Miller, Trinity		1	8	....	....	....	1	8	7	15	.....
2d Baptist Ch., Durham	F. H. Wilkins, Durham	C. H. Hunt, Durham		E. S.	...	3	1	6	2	8	10	18	900
White Rock, Purly	R. Wilson, Purly	C. H. Harper, Purly		2	2	1	2	1	1	18	9	27	50
Yadkin Grove	A Wilborn, Trinity	G W. Holmer, Salisbury		3	7	2	1	7		14	24	38	350
Mt. Sinai	E. F. Parham, Wentworth	E.G.W. Richardson, Leaksville		3	....	8	...	....	.....	3	5	8	.....